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REPRODUCTION METHOD PROGRAM
AND RECORDING MEDIUM FOR
RECODING FILE REPRODUCTION
METHOD PROGRAM

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Dear Sir:

Further to the two prior Information Disclosure Statements on file for the above-identified application, the Applicant, through its representatives and attorneys, hereby submits the following additional information to be made of record and considered in the prosecution of this application. In the event any fees are due with this paper, the Commissioner is respectfully authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013.

I.

First, a copy of Japanese publication No. 2001-04933 cited at pages 2 and 3 of the specification as filed in provided and cited on the accompanying Form PTO-SB/08. This submission is timely in that it is made prior to a first action on the merits. Its relevance can be seen from the context at pages 1 to 4 of the specification as filed.

II.

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In addition, the three additional Japanese publications also cited on the accompanying Form PTO-SB/08 are provided with translations. These submissions are timely in that they are made prior to a first action on the merits. Their relevance can be seen from the English language text for the documents.

This will also certify that each item of information contained in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. Specifically, these three documents were cited in an Office action issued on February 9, 2007 in connection with the corresponding Japanese priority application. Translations are provided so that the relevance of these documents can be seen and also noted from their citation in a corresponding foreign application.

Please take these additional documents into account in the initial examination of this application and make their consideration of record with the consideration of the documents previously submitted.

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Respectfully submitted,

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